SHIMOGA FOREST DIVISION.

Notification dated 1st May 1925.

It is hereby notified for general information that the sale for the collection of canes in the forests of Agumbe Range subject to the exercise of rights of villagers, will be sold by the undersigned at Megravalli on the 22nd May 1925.

The collection period shall extend till the end of June 1926.

The successful bidder shall immediately after the sale, pay one-fourth of the sale amount and within a week after the intimation of confirmation of sale, full amount of sale. Failing which a re-sale will be held and the quarter deposit already paid forfeited and the original purchaser will be liable for any loss that may result to Government but will not participate in any profit that may result from such re-sale. If the deficit amount be not paid, it will be recovered as arrears of Land Revenue.

The sale is subject to the confirmation of the Conservator of Forests who does not bind himself to accept the bid or to assign any reason for the rejection of the same.

The purchaser shall also pay one anna per rupee as local cess and three pies as railway cess and six pies as education cess in addition to sale amount.

The successful bidder shall appear within a fortnight from the date of communication of sale before the Range Officer, Agumbe, and enter into an agreement binding himself to observe the conditions specified below and at the same time to deposit Rs. 100 (one hundred only) for the due fulfilment of the sale conditions.

CONDITIONS.

1. Canes should be extracted without injuring the roots of the clump. Tender ones should under no circumstances be extracted.

2. At least three shoots in a clump should be left untouched.

3. The lessee or his agents or servants shall not injure any trees or other forest produce while collecting canes.

4. The lessee shall be held responsible for any damaging acts of his agents or servants during the collection of canes.

5. The lessee shall not sub-let the contract without permission from the District Forest Officer.

6. Coolies employed by the lessee must take permits from the Range Officer when they enter the forest for collection.

7. The produce should be removed from the limits of the Range by the end of June 1926.

8. The lessee shall be held responsible for the occurrence of any fire in the forest, if there is sufficient ground for the department to think that it has been caused by his negligence or by the act of his employees.

9. In the event of breach of any conditions specified above, all the produce collected shall be confiscated and the deposit forfeited to Government and the sale cancelled. Any amount due to Government will be recovered as an arrear of land revenue.

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